



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 16, 2018

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY: 9:00am - 12:00 and 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Good Shepherd Parish Website www.gsparish.ca: *Archdiocese of St. John's* www.rcsj.org *Facebook* (@GoodShepherdParishSMB)

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Shirley Kielly - 525-2936.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: Howard Power - 521-2431.

MARRIAGE NOTIFICATIONS: 6 Months (Marriage Preparation course required) Please call (RCEC) to register at 726-3660.

PRE-BAPTISM COURSE: To register call Dave Kenny @ 229-7395.

A copy of the child's birth record must be provided before the baptism.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Debbie Dunphy, Donna Critch, Marian Bonia, Sheila Yetman, Leona Tobin, Angela Fleming.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Available before all Masses, or anytime by appointment at the parish house.

VISITATION TO THE SICK AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office if you would like Father Steve to visit you at home or in the hospital.

MASS SCHEDULE

(When there is a funeral, weekday mass will be re-scheduled)

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTIONS
Tuesday December 18			No Mass Father Steve will be in St. Bride's Parish assisting Father Jim Fleming with the Penitential Service
Wednesday December 19	4:00 pm	St. Joseph's	Marjorie Binns John & Mary Kenny; Jack & Mary Courtney
Thursday December 20	9:00 am	Admiral's Beach	Dianne Hickey; Thomas & Rita Doody Arthur & Madeline McEvoy & deceased family members
	4:00 pm	North Harbour	Heather Philpott; Sebastian Walsh; Valerie Poole
Friday December 21	10:30 am	Lewis Personal Care	Philomena Abbas; Dorothy Thomas; Albert & Theresa Dinn & deceased members of the Dinn & Fagan family
Saturday December 22	4:00 pm	St. Vincent's <i>Memory Tree Mass</i> <i>Ministry</i>	Joseph Fleming & deceased family members Mary & Edward Ryan & deceased family members Theresa St. Croix & deceased members of the Tobin family <i>Cross Bearer: Frances Fleming Readers: Rita Raymond, Pearl Kielly</i> <i>Gifts: Dan & Josephine St. Croix Eucharistic Minister: Anne Hayward</i>
Sunday December 23	10:30 am	St. Joseph's <i>Ministry</i>	"Missa Pro Populo" <i>For Parishioners</i> Bill Furey; Brian Synyard & deceased members of the Ryan family Margaret & Patrick Hunt <i>Server: Donal Greene Readers: Dave Kenny, Joseph Dobbin</i> <i>Gifts: Mike & Gail Singleton Eucharistic Minister: Mary Dobbin</i>

LITURGY & MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 18	6:30 pm	ST. MARY'S	CATHOLICISM SERIES
Wednesday, December 19	6:30 pm	ST. MARY'S	PENITENTIAL SERVICE
	7:00 pm	Admiral's Beach	Holy Hour
Thursday, December 20	6:30 pm	MOUNT CARMEL	CATHOLICISM SERIES
Friday, December 21	3:00 pm	St. Mary's	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
Saturday, December 22	1:30 pm	St. Joseph's	Baptism
Saturday, December 22	3:30 pm	St. Vincent's	CONFESSIONS
Sunday, December 23	10:00 am	St. Joseph's	CONFESSIONS

Dear Parishioners,

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Peter Hundt, currently Bishop of the diocese of Corner Brook-Labrador, as Our New Archbishop. I had meetings with him most of Thursday past, on behalf of all parishioners I welcomed him to the Archdiocese and invited him to visit Good Shepherd parish when his schedule permits. On Jan 7 at 7pm there will be a farewell mass for Archbishop Currie at the Basilica. On Jan 29 at 7pm at the Basilica, Bishop Hundt will be installed as the New Archbishop. It would be nice to have a large group of parishioners present at each of these masses. If there is enough interest, we will have a Bus available; leaving from St. Mary's to take people to the masses. If you have never attended the installation of an Archbishop I would really encourage you to attend as it is a beautiful mass with many ancient rites, through which Bishop Hundt, becomes the Archbishop taking possession of the Archdiocese.

1. HOME CATECHESIS/ SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT SESSION FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN WILL TAKE PLACE January 12 Mount Carmel at 3pm, January 13 St. Mary's at 9:45am. Regular attendance at mass and participation in the children's liturgy program are a requirement for the reception of sacraments. All children of the parish are welcome to participate in the Children's liturgy program.

2. IRELAND PILGRIMAGE 2019: Registration fee of \$250.00 per person is now due and payable. The Next Deposit of \$500 is due Jan 31, 2019. Final Payment will be due May 31, 2019.

3. MINISTRY: The parish is in need of volunteers for all ministries in the parish. **AS OF YET WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED MANY NEW PEOPLE COMING FORWARD FOR A MINISTRY.** Please consider the gifts and talents that you have and where God is calling you to use them. Sign-up sheets are available in the churches and on the parish website.

4. GATHERING PLACE. The parish will be once again sponsoring a meal on Valentine's Day 2019. The cost of the meal is \$1500. If you would like to make a contribution towards the meal that would be appreciated. **Thank you to those who donated gift cards for the gathering place.**

5. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/MAKING MYSELF AVAILABLE FOR A PRIVATE CHAT: 30mins prior to all masses I will be available for anyone who would like to come to speak to me privately, receive a blessing, receive the sacrament of reconciliation, etc.

6. ED ROCHE CALENDARS are available at a cost of \$20 (This is a discount from the regular retail price), all proceeds to the parish. These would make great Christmas Gift; there are only a limited number available.

7. ADVENT CAROL CONCERT: The parish is sponsoring an Advent Carol Concert, **Sunday December 16**, 2-4pm in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, St. Mary's. Admission is \$10, all proceeds going to help those in need in our local area. Children under 12, free admission. The parish will also be accepting donations of non-perishable food items for the food bank.

8. SACRED HEART CHURCH ST. VINCENT'S: Annual Memory Tree Mass will be celebrated **Saturday Dec 22**, 4pm. Names of deceased loved ones and donation being received. Please contact Sharon Gibbons, Fan Fleming or Angela Fleming.

9. THE CATHOLICISM SERIES: **Tuesday Dec 18 @ 6:30pm**, church in St. Mary's. **Thursday December 20** at 6:30 in the chapel in Mount Carmel

10. PENTITENIAL SERVICES will take place on **Wednesday Dec 19** in St. Mary's at 6:30pm.

11. CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Donation of Christmas flowers in honor of a loved one (living or deceased) gratefully accepted for the four main churches of Good Shepherd Parish.

VOCATION REFLECTION "All were questioning in their hearts." Are you considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Jeff Kolonel at (709)745-8183 or Father Ray Earle (709)781-1696 or Father Philip Melvin at (709)754-1190 or email: vocations@rcsj.org

SANCTUARY LIGHT: In memory of Ricky and Hilary Gibbons – Our Lady of Assumption Church St. Mary's
In memory of Thomas & Mildred Neville – Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's

VISITATION: Thursday, December 20: Mass will be in Admiral's Beach at 9:00 am. Visitation will be starting in Admiral's Beach at 9:30 am visiting O'Donnell's, St. Joseph's, St. Catherine's, Mount Carmel, Colinet and North Harbour. Mass will be in North Harbour at 4:00 pm.

VISITATION: Friday, December 21: Mass will be celebrated at Lewis Personal Care at 9:00am. Visitation will be starting in Peter's River at 9:30 am visiting St. Vincent's, Gaskiers, St. Mary's, and Riverhead. Anyone & everyone are welcome for Mass at Lewis' Personal Care Home.

Basilica Nativity Window Christmas Ornament and Stained Glass Book to help raise funds toward the Restoration of the Basilica Stained Windows! Available for Christmas, a Basilica Nativity Window Christmas Ornament, \$10, and Stained Glass Windows of the Basilica: An Illustrated Guide, by John FitzGerald (194 pp., \$25), to help raise funds for the restoration of the Basilica's stained glass windows. Available by pre-order from the Basilica Parish (754-2170) and after all weekend masses at the Basilica.

The Archdiocese of St. John's cordially invites you to a farewell Mass and Reception in honour of Archbishop Martin W. Currie on Monday, January 7th, 2019 at 7:00 pm Basilica Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Everyone is welcome!

FINANCES WITH SINCERE THANKS

St. Vincent's /St. Mary's/St. Joseph's/Mount Carmel

Weekly Offering: \$1568.05	All Souls Offering: \$5.00	Church Dues: \$620.00	Collection for Priesthood: \$2.00
Christmas Offering: \$20.00	Advent Offering: \$115.00	Sunday Missals: \$25.00	Word Among Us Missals; \$5.00
Mass Card Print Cost: \$7.00	Calendars: \$80.00	Mount Carmel Card Game Proceeds (Dec 9): \$108.00	
Christmas Ministry Appreciation Night Donation: \$500.00 (Anonymous)			
Funeral Mass Stipend (George White): \$150.00		Our Lady of Assumption Memoriam Plaque (Mary White): \$50.00	
St. Vincent's Card Game (Nov 26): \$145.00 sponsors.... Colette Fleming, Chris Fleming			
St. Vincent's Card Game (Dec 3): \$160.00 sponsors.... Karen Hayward, Tilly Hayward		St. Vincent's Canteen Proceeds: \$100.00	

*Parish Monthly Financial Report for **October** Posted On the Church Bulletin Boards*

Please take time to review. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact the parish office or Mr. Howard Power, Finance Council Chairperson at 521-2431.

GRAND IN YOUR HAND: Thank you for your support! December Month Draw #1: Ticket No. 00031

Winner: Georgina (John) St. Croix Drawn at Parish Office on December 7 by: Gordon Gambin Witness: Tony Reardon
Congratulations! Jean Thank you, Gord and Tony

CARD GAMES: Mt. Carmel: Sunday at 8:00 pm Admiral's Beach Fire Dept.: Monday at 8:00pm Nt. Harbour: Monday @ 8pm
Salmonier South 50 + Club: Tuesday at 8:00 pm Salmonier 50 + Club: Wednesday @ 8pm

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CLEANING GROUP (December): Brenda Pender, Sylvia Gushue, Augusta Gough, Petrina Daley.

ST. CATHERINE'S ACADEMY will be hosting their annual Christmas Breakfast on Friday, **December 21st** from 9-10 am. Adult tickets are \$7 and must be purchased at the office by Friday, December 14th. Everyone is welcome to join the students and staff as they celebrate the Christmas season.

ST. VINCENT'S LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING: Please consider helping by placing a gift marked boy or girl and the suitable age by the Christmas tree located at the inside entrance of Sacred Heart Church St. Vincent's. This helps us to collect and distribute toys for children in need throughout Good Shepherd Parish. In addition we are also accepting nonperishable food items in support of the Food Bank. Thanking you in advance for your assistance and support.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BOXING NIGHT DANCE: Music by: Contraband. Adm: \$12.50. 19 years and over. Doors open at 9 pm.

TIME IN THE HALL ON NEW YEAR'S EVE !!! The St. Joseph's Parish Hall Committee invites everyone to a Time in the Hall to be held on Monday, **December 31st**. Children's Program with music and snacks begins at 6:30pm with **Fireworks at 8:30pm**. Then, there's a **Dance with music by Rodney Linehan** which begins at 10:00pm. **Great raffle items and door prizes**, too! Come and bring a friend A good time is guaranteed! Suggested admission donation is \$15. Children admitted free of charge. Proceeds from this event are used to help cover the operating costs of St. Joseph's Parish Hall. **Your support is greatly appreciated.** See you there.

DIOCESAN RESOURCE CENTRE: Still need those last few special gifts ... or the final touch for your decorations? Visit the Diocesan Resource Centre, 19 King's Bridge Road. Right now until close on the 21st, all Christmas items are 40 percent off. That includes ornaments, decorations, cards, books, and home decor. Business hours are Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 4.30pm, closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1:30. That's all Christmas items 40 percent off until close on the 21st at the Diocesan Resource Centre. Warm wishes for a Merry Christmas and continued blessings for the New Year from the Diocesan Resource Centre.

DUNNE ACADEMY: This coming summer marks the 50th Anniversary of Dunne Memorial Academy. We are interested in forming a committee to plan an event or events for this very special occasion. If you or anyone you know are interested in serving on this committee, please submit your name(s) to the school 709-525-2330 or email colleenpennell@nlesd.ca
We are hoping to have this committee formed by January 31st. Thank-you for your interest in this worthwhile event.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN HONOR OF A LOVED ONE (Living or Deceased)
GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED FOR THE FOUR MAIN CHURCHES OF GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve: 6:00 pm St. Vincent's	8:00 pm St. Joseph's
Christmas Day: 10:00 am St. Mary's	10:00 am Mt. Carmel
New Years Eve: 4:00 pm Mount Carmel	
New Years Day: 10:30 am St. Mary's	

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